

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A clock generation circuit, ~~which selects one of a plurality of reference signals and generates a clock that is synchronized with a selected reference signal,~~ the clock generation circuit comprising:

[[ (1) ]] a plurality of former stage PLL circuits ~~respectively provided for each of the plurality of reference signals, generating outputs that are respectively synchronized with a corresponding reference signal~~ configured to receive a reference signal and to generate an output synchronized to the received reference signal;

a plurality of phase control circuits each configured to match a phase of an output from a former stage PLL circuit in the plurality of former stage PLL circuits to a phase of an output from another former stage PLL, and generate a phase matched output;

[[ (2) ]] a selection circuit ~~selecting~~ configured to select one of the phase matched outputs from the plurality of former stage PLL circuits; and

[[ (3) ]] a latter stage PLL circuit linked in sequence to the plurality of former stage PLL circuits, ~~for receiving and configured to receive the one of the outputs selected~~ output and generating the generate a clock that is synchronized with the selected phase matched output.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): ~~The~~ A clock generation circuit ~~according to claim 1,~~ which selects one of a plurality of reference signals and generates a clock that is synchronized with a selected reference signal, the clock generation circuit ~~further~~ comprising:

a plurality of former stage PLL circuits respectively provided for each of the plurality of reference signals, generating outputs that are respectively synchronized with a corresponding reference signal;

a plurality of phase control circuits, respectively provided for each of the outputs from the plurality of former stage PLL circuits, for matching phase of an output from another one of the plurality of former stage PLL circuits with phase of an output from one of the plurality of former stage PLL circuits corresponding to the selected reference signal;

a selection circuit selecting one of the outputs from the plurality of former stage PLL circuits; and

a latter stage PLL circuit linked in sequence to the plurality of former stage PLL circuits, for receiving the one of the outputs selected and generating the clock.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): The clock generation circuit according to claim [[2]] 1, wherein the phase control circuits ~~each include~~ includes a ring counter and a selection circuit ~~selecting one of~~ configured to select a multiphase outputs output from the ring counter.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The clock generation circuit according to claim 1, wherein ~~the plurality of each~~ former stage PLL ~~circuits respectively perform~~ circuit performs synchronization in frequency with [[a]] ~~the corresponding~~ received reference signal, ~~respectively~~, and

wherein the latter stage PLL circuit performs synchronization in phase with the selected reference signal,

the clock generation circuit further comprising,

~~a plurality of phase control circuits respectively provided for each of the outputs from the plurality of former stage PLL circuits,~~

a divider circuit configured to divide the generated clock and to output a divided signal,

wherein ~~the clock generation circuit controls a~~ the phase control circuit corresponding to the selected reference signal is further configured to match such that a phase of the divided ~~such that a phase of the divided~~ [[a]] signal obtained by dividing the generated clock matches to a phase of the selected reference signal, and

~~wherein the plurality of phase control circuits match phase of an output from another one of the plurality of former stage PLL circuits with phase of an output from one of the plurality of former stage PLL circuits corresponding to the selected reference signal.~~

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The clock generation circuit according to claim 4, wherein ~~the clock generation circuit controls the phase control circuit in commensurate with~~ is controlled based on a cycle of the selected reference signal.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): The clock generation circuit according to claim 4, wherein ~~the clock generation circuit controls the phase control circuit in commensurate with a dividing~~ is controlled based on a divided cycle of the generated clock.

Claim 7 (New): The clock generation circuit according to claim 2, wherein the phase control circuits each include a ring counter and a selection circuit configured to select a multiphase output from the ring counter.

Claim 8 (New): The clock generation circuit according to claim 2, wherein each former stage PLL circuit performs synchronization in frequency with the corresponding reference signal, and

wherein the latter stage PLL circuit performs synchronization in phase with the selected reference signal,

the clock generation circuit further comprising,  
a divider circuit configured to divide the generated clock and to output a divided  
signal,  
wherein the phase control circuit is further configured to match a phase of the divided  
signal to a phase of the selected reference signal.

Claim 9 (New): The clock generation circuit according to claim 8, wherein the phase  
control circuit is controlled based on a cycle of the selected reference signal.

Claim 10 (New): The clock generation circuit according to claim 8, wherein the  
phase control circuit is controlled based on a divided cycle of the generated clock.